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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c), filed April 13, 2011 to accept the unintentionally delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

If reconsideration of this decision is desired, a petition for reconsideration under 37 CFR 1.378(e) must be filed within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. No extension of this two-month time limit can be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). This is **not** a final agency action within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. § 704.

The statement of delay is not acceptable. In this regard, petitioner's attention is directed to 37 CFR 1.33(b), which states.

- (b) Amendments and other papers. Amendments and other papers, except for written assertions pursuant to § 1.27(c)(2)(ii) of this part, filed in the application must be signed by:
- (1) A registered patent attorney or patent agent of record appointed in compliance with § 1.32(b);
- (2) A registered patent attorney or patent agent not of record who acts in a representative capacity under the provisions of § 1.34;
- (3) An assignee as provided for under §3.71(b) of this chapter; this includes the submission of a statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b). or
- (4) All of the applicants (§ 1.41(b)) for patent, unless there is an assignee of the entire interest and such assignee has taken action in the application in accordance with § 3.71 of this chapter.

The merits of the petition have **not** been reviewed because Mary Dester Martin has signed the petition. A review of the record shows that Ms. Martin is not a proper party pursuant to 37 CFR 1.33.

It is further noted as indicated in the petition decision of March 24, 2011, any renewed petition must include the \$400.00 petition fee.

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